## Mark Massa

**Executive Director** 

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Mark Massa became Executive Director of the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute (ICJI) in May 2011, overseeing the state's planning agency for criminal justice, juvenile justice, traffic safety and victims' services. The Institute directs the flow of state and federal funds to local law enforcement, courts, prosecutors, public defenders, state university researchers, and victim assistance providers. Since its creation by the Indiana General Assembly in 1983, ICJI has continued to evaluate grant applications, monitor and assess performance, and conduct policy research pursuant to its statutory charge to improve all aspects of law enforcement and the criminal justice system.

Massa brings more than two decades of experience in all branches of Indiana government and as a state and federal prosecutor. A 1983 graduate of Indiana University, he was an award-winning newspaper reporter for two years before joining the staff of Governor Robert Orr in 1985. He earned his law degree from the Indiana University School of Law at Indianapolis in 1989, clerked two years for Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Randall Shepard, served eight years as Chief Counsel to the Marion County Prosecutor and three years as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana before becoming General Counsel to Governor Mitch Daniels in 2006. Massa served as the Governor's Counsel until early 2010, when he joined the Indianapolis law firm of Riley Bennett & Egloff and was his party's nominee for Marion County Prosecutor.

Upon returning to the Administration, he served briefly as Chairman of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission before assuming his duties at ICJI.

Massa, 50, also serves on the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Merit Board. He is a father of two and has served on the board of directors of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Indianapolis and the Indianapolis Police Athletic League, on the School Commission of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish and on the school's Budget Committee. ■